

# Baldwin County Commission

**Baldwin County Commission Regular  
Meeting Minutes  
Tuesday, August 6, 2019  
8:30 AM**



**Baldwin County Administration Building  
County Commission Chambers  
322 Courthouse Square  
Bay Minette, Alabama 36507**

District 1 – Commissioner James E. Ball  
District 2 – Commissioner Joe Davis, III  
District 3 – Commissioner Billie Jo Underwood  
District 4 – Commissioner Charles F. Gruber

Wayne A. Dyess, County Administrator

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## **A WELCOME, INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**Present:** 4 - Commissioner James E. Ball, Commissioner Joe Davis III, Commissioner BillieJo Underwood, and Commissioner Charles F. Gruber

**Absent:** 0

Also present were, Wayne Dyess, County Administrator, and David Conner, County Attorney.

The Chairman called the meeting to order at 8:31 a.m. and introduced Reverend Marty Hamilton, Pastor of First Methodist Church of Bay Minette, who appeared before the Commission and led the Commission in prayer. After the Pledge of Allegiance led by Commander Bill Bergman of the Military Order of the Purple Heart, the Commission transacted the following business to-wit:

## **ADOPTION OF MINUTES**

Motion by Commissioner James E. Ball, seconded by Commissioner Joe Davis, III, to adopt the minutes of the July 16, 2019, Regular meeting and the July 25, 2019, Special meeting.

The motion passed by the following vote:

**Aye:** 4 - James E. Ball, Joe Davis III, BillieJo Underwood, and Charles F. Gruber

**Nay:** 0

**Absent:** 0

**Abstain:** 0

## **B CONSENT**

Wayne Dyess, County Administrator, said before the Commissioners is an Addendum attachment for Consent Agenda Item BM3 - Federal Transit Administration

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(FTA) - Integrated Mobility Innovation (IMI) Demonstration Program - Grant  
Application for Transit Demonstration Project.

Motion by Commissioner James E. Ball, seconded by Commissioner BillieJo Underwood, to approve the consent agenda.

The motion passed by the following vote:

**Aye:** 4 - James E. Ball, Joe Davis III, BillieJo Underwood, and Charles F. Gruber  
**Nay:** 0  
**Absent:** 0  
**Abstain:** 0

**BA ADMINISTRATION**

**BA1** Baldwin County Intracoastal Waterway (ICW) Boat Launch Project [19-1776](#)

Make part of the record, the following documentation related to the Purchase and Sale Agreement, originally approved during the October 2, 2018, Baldwin County Commission regular meeting, related to the purchase of approximately 45 acres of property on the Gulf Intracoastal Waterway:

1) Third Amendment to the Purchase and Sale Agreement, dated July 25, 2019, which amended Section 3.2 of the Agreement, extending the inspection date to August 30, 2019.

**BA2** Request from Franklin Primary Health Center, Inc. for a Letter of Support - Public Health Service Section 330 Grant [19-1729](#)

Confirm, ratify, and approve the Letter of Support to the Franklin Primary Health Center, Inc., which was executed by the Chairman on behalf of the Baldwin County Commission on July 23, 2019, for Franklin Primary Health Center, Inc.'s Service Area Competition Application for the Public Health Service Section 330 grant.

**BA3** Town of Loxley - Annexation Notification [19-1704](#)

Authorize placement of the Town of Loxley Annexation Ordinance No. 2019-15, annexing property into the corporate limits of the municipality of the Town of Loxley, Alabama, into the minutes of the August 6, 2019, Baldwin County Commission meeting with the proper notifications to the following departments/organizations:

Baldwin County Commission Departments:  
Baldwin County Commission  
Building Inspection Department  
Communication/Information Systems Department  
Environmental Management/Solid Waste Department  
Highway Department

Planning and Zoning Department

Elected Officials:

Baldwin County Revenue Commission

Baldwin County Sheriff's Office

Other Agencies:

Board of Registrars' Office

Emergency 911

South Alabama Regional Planning Commission

**BB ANIMAL CONTROL**

- BB1** Baldwin County Trap-Neuter-Return (TNR) Program - Renewal of Eastern Shore Pet Hospital Agreement [19-1738](#)

Approve and authorize the Chairman to execute a Professional Service Agreement renewal for the Trap-Neuter-Return (TNR) Program services with Eastern Shore Pet Hospital. The agreement shall commence on August 6, 2019, and continue for a period of ninety (90) days, expiring November 6, 2019, with an automatic renewal for one additional ninety (90) day term (expiring February 6, 2020), unless terminated by either party in accordance with the terms of the Agreement.

- BB2** Purchase of One (1) Polaris Ranger 500 for the Baldwin County Animal Shelter [19-1739](#)

Authorize the Baldwin County Animal Shelter to purchase One (1) Polaris Ranger 500, Sage Green-50 State for a total cost of \$10,089.00, from Baldwin County Victory Polaris, to give staff a more efficient way of completing everyday tasks at the Baldwin County Animal Shelter.

**BD BUDGET/PURCHASING**

- BD1** Competitive Bid #WG19-37A - Purchase of Ninety (90) Jersey Barriers for the Baldwin County Commission [19-1721](#)

Award Bid #WG19-37A to the lowest bidder, The Tamis Corporation, for the purchase of ninety (90) jersey barriers as per the Award Listing.

- BD2** Competitive Bid #WG19-45 - Purchase of One (1) Chemical Injector System Upgrade to Mid-Tech TASC 6300 and Upgrade to Front Bumper Mounted/Extended Boom Boomless Radial Mount Spray Heads or Equal for the Baldwin County Commission [19-1722](#)

Award Bid #WG19-45 to IVM Solutions, LLC, d/b/a Roadside, Inc., for the purchase of one (1) Chemical Injector System Upgrade to Mid-Tech TASC 6300 and Upgrade to

Front Bumper Mounted/Extended Boom Boomless Radial Mount Spray Heads as follows:

Make/Model: RS1-163SH2AI

Amount Bid: \$41,504.02

Optional Items Upgrade:

Extended Spray Boom: \$19,232.00

Hydraulic Upgrades: \$4,708.00

Total Amount: \$65,444.02

Delivery Time: 60 days

**BD3** Competitive Bid #WG19-46 - Provision of Instant Pre-cooked Meals for the Baldwin County Commission

[19-1723](#)

Award Bid #WG19-46 to the lowest bidder, Nex-xos Worldwide, LLC, for the provision of instant pre-cooked meals per the Award Listing.

**BD4** Competitive Bid #WG19-47 - Annual Scrap Metal and White Good Recycling Services for the Baldwin County Commission

[19-1724](#)

Award Bid #WG19-47 to the highest bidder, SA Recycling, LLC, as per the Award Listing for the sale of the County's Scrap Metal and White Good Recycling Services and authorize the Chairman to execute the Contract. (Contract shall be effective for twelve (12) months and commence on August 22, 2019.)

**BD5** Competitive Bid #WG19-50 - Provision of Baldwin County Cigarette Stamps for the Baldwin County Commission

[19-1725](#)

Take the following actions:

- 1) Approve the specifications and authorize the Purchasing Director to place a competitive bid for the provision of cigarette stamps; and
- 2) Further, authorize the Chairman/Purchasing Division Commissioner for the Baldwin County Commission to approve any necessary addendums or clarifications if required after the bid is advertised.

**BD6** Competitive Bid #WG19-51 - Purchase and Installation of One (1) 125 kW Generator for the Baldwin Regional Area Transit System (BRATS) Building Located in Robertsedale, Alabama for the Baldwin County Commission

[19-1726](#)

Take the following actions:

- 1) Approve the specifications and authorize the Purchasing Director to place a

competitive bid for the purchase and installation of one (1) 125 kW Generator for the Baldwin County Baldwin Regional Area Transit System (BRATS) Building located in Robertsdale, Alabama and

2) Further, authorize the Chairman/ Purchasing Division Commissioner for the Baldwin County Commission to approve any necessary addenda or clarifications if required after the bid is advertised.

**BD7** Final Design and Architectural Services for the Interior Build-out of the Second Floor of the Baldwin County Satellite Courthouse Located in Fairhope, Alabama

[19-1736](#)

Take the following actions:

- 1) Approve the American Institute of Architects (AIA) Contract for the Architectural Services with Adams Stewart Architects, LLC, for the interior build-out of the second floor of the Baldwin County Satellite Courthouse located in Fairhope, Alabama, in the amount of 7.2% of the project cost and authorize the Chairman to execute the Contract; and
- 2) Approve the final design of the Interior Build-out of the Second Floor of the Baldwin County Satellite Courthouse located in Fairhope, Alabama, and authorize the Architect, Todd Stewart, and the Purchasing Director to bid the project once the pre-qualification of contractors process is completed and approved by the Commission.

**BD8** Lease of One (1) Postage Machine/Letter Opener for the Baldwin County Revenue Commission Office

[19-1727](#)

Authorize the Chairman to execute the lease agreement with Neopost USA, Inc. (Accurate Control of Fairhope) for the lease of one (1) postage machine/letter opener off the State of Alabama bid for thirty-six (36) months effective upon full execution of agreement as follows:

Revenue Commission Office - Bay Minette, Alabama

Neopost IN750 IN Series 750 Base w/Mixed Size Feeder, sealer and drop tray

INDS7 Dynamic Weighing Platform for IN Series 700/750 Bases

INWP10 IN Series 10 lb Weighing Platform

WP10STDN Scale Stand for ISWP10 & INWP10

DT-ECERT e-Certify Configuration Fee

DT-ECERT1KAS e-Certify Subscription - Level 2 (up to 1,000 e-Certs per year)

Neopost IM16 Letter Opener

Full Coverage Maintenance Contract:

\$1,597.77 per quarter - total per year \$6,391.08

#10 Double Window Certified/Return Receipt Envelopes \$56.00/boxes/freight x 2 boxes

= \$137.00 per year

**BD9**    Request for Proposals (RFP) for Inmate and Juvenile Medical Services Program for the Baldwin County Corrections Center and Juvenile Detention Facility    [19-1728](#)

Authorize the Purchasing Director to solicit a Request for Proposals (RFP) for Inmate and Juvenile Medical Services Program for the Baldwin County Corrections Center and Juvenile Detention Facility.

**BE    BUILDING INSPECTION**

**BE1**    Building Inspection Department- Computer Software Support Agreement Addendum    [19-1763](#)

Related to the Building Permit Computer Software Agreement, take the following actions:

1) Approve the Computer Software Support Agreement with Delta Computer Systems, Inc., commencing on the first day of the delivery of the software or upon acceptance of the addendum by both parties and shall remain in effect for one year. This agreement shall remain in effect for one year and automatically renew annually; and

2) Authorize the Chairman to execute the Computer Software Support Agreement Addendum with Delta Computer Systems with the new monthly rate in the amount of \$681.67, effective October 1, 2019.

**BG    COMMUNICATIONS/INFORMATION SYSTEMS (CIS)**

**BG1**    Donation of Surplus Property to the Baldwin County Historic Development Commission (BCHDC)    [19-1756](#)

Approve the donation of one HP6570b Laptop Computer (Serial#5CB336083L) to the Baldwin County Historic Development Commission (BCHDC). Estimated value of laptop is one hundred and twenty-five dollars (\$125.00). This equipment will be used by the BCHDC to assist with day-to-day operations.

**BI    ELECTED OFFICIALS**

**BI1**    Probate Office - Computer Software Support Agreement Addendum    [19-1750](#)

Related to the Probate Court Computer Software Agreement, take the following actions:

1) Approve the Computer Software Support Agreement with Delta Computer Systems, Inc., commencing on the first day of the delivery of the software or upon acceptance of the addendum by both parties and shall remain in effect for one year. This agreement shall remain in effect for one year and automatically renew annually; and

2) Authorize the Chairman to execute the Computer Software Support Agreement Addendum with Delta Computer Systems with the new monthly rate in the amount of

\$8,346.67, effective October 1, 2019.

## **IA GENERAL**

### **BI2 Revenue Commission Office- Computer Software Support Agreement Addendum**

**19-1731**

Related to the Revenue Commission software, take the following actions:

- 1) Approve the Computer Software Support Agreement with Delta Computer Systems, Inc., commencing on the first day of delivery of the software or upon acceptance of the addendum(s) by both parties and shall remain in effect for one year. The terms of this agreement shall automatically renew at each annual period; and
- 2) Authorize the Chairman to sign the Computer Software Support Agreement Addendum with Delta Computer Systems, Inc. with the new monthly rate in the amount of \$5,258.33, effective October 1, 2019.

## **BK ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT**

### **BK1 Baldwin Clean Sweep - October 5, 2019 and March 7, 2020**

**19-1747**

Authorize the Baldwin County Solid Waste Department (BCSW) to conduct "Baldwin Clean Sweep" on Saturday October 5, 2019, and March 7, 2020, at the Magnolia Sanitary Landfill, MacBride Construction and Demolition Landfill, Eastfork Construction and Demolition Landfill and the Bay Minette Transfer Station.

Further, authorize BCSW to implement the following operational changes, limited to the day of the Baldwin Clean Sweep event:

- 1) Accept waste materials such as yard waste, construction debris, cardboard, tires, electronics, furniture, appliances, scrap metal, carpet, household hazardous waste from Baldwin County residents at no charge; and
- 2) Accept Commercial E-waste from Baldwin County small businesses; and
- 3) Maintain normal operating procedures for commercial waste disposal. Normal charges for commercial tire disposal will be in effect; and
- 4) Require proof of residency in Baldwin County to be demonstrated as well as requiring customers to furnish name, address, and telephone number for waste materials to be accepted at no charge; and
- 5) Extend operating hours of the Magnolia Sanitary Landfill, MacBride Construction and Demolition Landfill, Eastfork Construction and Demolition Landfill and the Bay Minette Transfer Station from the normal closing time of 12:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. as well as provide additional staffing to accomplish the longer operating times and added

administrative requirement.

**BK2**    Baldwin County Solid Waste Uncollectible Residential Accounts [19-1760](#)

Approve the uncollectible residential garbage accounts list for write-offs in the amount of \$744.00.

**BK3**    Mandatory Garbage Fees - Low Income Exemption Applications 2019 [19-1748](#)

Take the following actions related to the persons who have applied to be exempt from the Baldwin County mandatory garbage fees by the Baldwin County Low Income Exemption program:

2nd Quarter Ending June 30, 2019  
Approve 33 and Deny 10 Low Income Applicants

**BK4**    Mandatory Garbage Fees - Social Security Exemption Applications 2019 [19-1749](#)

Take the following actions related to persons that have applied to be exempt from the Baldwin County mandatory garbage fees by the State granted exemption:

2nd Quarter Ending June 30, 2019  
Approve 8 and Deny 2 Social Security Exemption Applications

**BM**    **HIGHWAY**

**BM1**    Case No. S-19033 - Plantations at Fish River [19-1743](#)

Approve the request from Plantations at Fish River, LLC to utilize a private road and right-of-way in the Plantations at Fish River Subdivision to access lots.

**BM2**    Emergency Watershed Protection (EWP) Funding for Damage to a Watershed Resulting from Hurricane Barry [19-1720](#)

Authorize the Chairman to submit a letter to the Alabama Department of Natural Resources Conservation Services requesting Emergency Watershed Protection (EWP) funding to repair a watershed located near Turberville Road in Baldwin County.

**BM3**    \*Federal Transit Administration (FTA) - Integrated Mobility Innovation (IMI) Demonstration Program - Grant Application for Transit Demonstration Project [19-1746](#)

Take the following actions:

- 1) Authorize Baldwin Regional Area Transit System (BRATS) to submit documentation



and an application for a grant under the Federal Transit Administration - Integrated Mobility Innovation (IMI) Demonstration Program for a mobility technology pilot program within BRATS; and

2) Authorize BRATS to name Via as a “Key Partner” for the Integrated Mobility Innovation (IMI) grant as contemplated by the Federal Transit Administration Notice of Funding Opportunity, to the extent permissible by State and Local procurement laws; and

3) Authorize the Chairman to execute any grant related documents as required.

**BM4** Sale of Six (6) Highway Department Vehicles and One (1) HP Plotter on GovDeals.com

[19-1742](#)

Take the following actions:

1) Authorize the sale of the following vehicles on GovDeals.com:

2004 Ford F-150 (VIN #1FTPX145X4NC14671)  
2007 Ford F-150 (VIN #1FTRW14W17KD24776)  
2007 Ford F-150 (VIN #1FTRF12WX7NA39592)  
2007 Ford F-150 (VIN #1FTRX12W48FA79028)  
2005 Chevy Trailblazer (VIN #1GNDDT13S962224996)  
2006 Chevy Colorado (VIN #1GCCS196368295478); and

2) Authorize the sale of one (1) HP C6075B Plotter (Serial SG19S1310W) on GovDeals.com.

**BM5** Solicitation of Quotes for Procurement of Professional Accounting Services for National Transit Database (NTD) Independent Auditors Statement of Financial Data

[19-1744](#)

Authorize Baldwin Regional Area Transit System (BRATS) staff, in coordination with the Purchasing Manager, to solicit a minimum of three quotes and statement of qualifications from Professional Accountants to prepare an Independent Auditors Statement of Financial Data (IAS-FD).

**BM6** Solicitation of Quotes for Procurement of Professional Appraisal Services for Preparation of Rent Analysis/Report for BRATS Real Estate

[19-1745](#)

Authorize Baldwin Regional Area Transit System (BRATS) staff, in coordination with the Purchasing Manager, to solicit a minimum of three quotes from Professional Appraisers to prepare a Rent Analysis/Report for BRATS real estate.

**BM7** Transportation Request from the Association of County Commissions of Alabama (ACCA)

[19-1710](#)

Approve the request from the Association of County Commissions of Alabama (ACCA) for the use of one Baldwin Regional Area Transit System (BRATS) managed bus and one BRATS managed driver to transport convention attendees on August 21, 2019, from 6:00 p.m. to 9:15 p.m., for an estimated cost of \$336.00 with funding from Budget Line Item 51105.5290 (General Contingency Fund).

## **BO PERSONNEL**

### **BO1 Animal Shelter/Control Department - Personnel Changes**

**19-1718**

Take the following actions:

- 1) Approve the employment of Erin Connolly to fill the open full-time Animal Placement Specialist (PID #5353) at a grade G-EL (\$12.967 per hour/\$26,971.36 annually); and
- 2) Approve the employment of Kimberly Peacock to fill the open part-time Office Assistant III (PID #PT45) at a grade E-EL (\$10.781 per hour).

These actions will be effective no sooner than August 12, 2019.

### **BO2 Building Inspection Department - Approval of Updated Position Description for Deputy Building Official**

**19-1765**

Approve the updated position description for Deputy Building Official.

### **BO3 Commission Administration Department - Personnel Changes**

**19-1714**

Take the following actions:

- 1) Approve the lateral transfer of Michelle Howard from the Administrative Support Specialist III position (PID #5436) grade I-EL (\$15.629 per hour/\$32,508.32 annually) in the Commission Administration Department (51125) to fill the open Administrative Support Specialist III (PID #5154) at the Fairhope Courthouse (51994), with no change in pay; and
- 2) Approve the promotion of Barbara Pate from the Buyer I position (PID #5308) grade G-08 (\$15.806 per hour/\$32,876.48 annually) in the Budget/Purchasing Department (51725), to fill the open Administrative Support Specialist III position (#5436) at a grade I-05 (\$17.697 per hour/\$36,809.76 annually) in the Commission Administration Department (51125).

### **BO4 Highway Department (Maintenance Engineering) - Approval of Position Description for Engineering Technician III (Operations Option)**

**19-1766**

Approve the updated position description for Engineering Technician III (Operations Option).

**B05** Highway Department (Pre-Construction) - Promotion of Employee into Pre-Construction Manager Position

[19-1715](#)

Approve the promotion of Seth Peterson from the Construction Development Manager (PID #4050) grade EC-08 (\$62,298.13 annually) in the Subdivision Development Department (53150), to fill the open Pre-Construction Manager position (PID #2077) at a grade EC-09 (\$65,413.04 annually), in the Pre-Construction Department (53600), to be effective no sooner than August 19, 2019.

**B06** Personnel Department - Personnel Changes

[19-1735](#)

Take the following actions:

- 1) Approve the promotion of Robert Bonner from the Benefits Coordinator position (PID #5336) grade J-07 (\$20.404 per hour/\$42,440.32 annually) to fill the open Assistant Personnel Director position (PID #4091) at a grade EC-08 (\$53,372.00 annually); and
- 2) Approve the reclassification/re-title of the Benefits Coordinator position (#5336) from a grade J (grade J range: \$35,726.08 - \$58,489.60 annually) to Benefits Specialist in a grade H (grade H range: \$29,631.68 - \$48,642.88 annually); and
- 3) Approve the lateral transfer of Brittney Vaughn from the Administrative Support Specialist II position (PID #5416) grade H-EL (\$14.246 per hour/\$29,631.68 annually) to fill the Benefits Specialist position (PID #5336), with no change in pay; and
- 4) Abolish the Administrative Support Specialist II position (PID #5416) grade H (grade H range: \$29,631.68 - \$48,642.88 annually); and
- 5) Create an Administrative Support Specialist I position (PID #TBD) grade G (grade G range: \$26,971.36 - \$44,231.20 annually); and
- 6) Approve the updated position descriptions for the Assistant Personnel Director, Benefits Specialist, and Administrative Support Specialist I; and
- 7) Approve the updated organizational chart for the Personnel Department.

**B07** Solid Waste Department (Landfill) - Personnel Changes

[19-1716](#)

Take the following actions:

- 1) Approve the employment of Thomas Milstid to fill the Solid Waste Technician position (PID #5232) at a grade G-EL (\$12.967 per hour/\$26,971.36 annually); and

- 2) Approve the employment of Derrick Smiley to fill the Solid Waste Technician position (PID #5236) at a grade G-EL (\$12.967 per hour/\$26,971.36 annually); and
- 3) Approve the employment of William Autry to fill the Solid Waste Technician position (PID #5229) at a grade G-EL (\$12.967 per hour/\$26,971.36 annually).

These actions will be effective no sooner than August 12, 2019.

## **C PRESENTATIONS**

### **CA GENERAL**

#### **CA1 237th Anniversary of National Purple Heart Day - August 7, 2019**

**19-1531**

Mr. John New, Former Commander of the Southwest Alabama Chapter of the Military Order of the Purple Heart, appeared before the Commission and welcomed the new members of the Commission. Mr. New commented on the origin of the Purple Heart, originally known as the Badge of Military Merit, and the origin of the American flag. He thanked the Commissioners for defending the flag in public and nationally. Mr. New said the Commission should be commended for supporting the Military Order of the Purple Heart, supporting all of the Purple Heart holders in Baldwin County and for its progressive efforts on the veterans' behalf over the years. He thanks the Commissioners from the bottom of his heart.

Chairman Gruber said August 7th is the 237th Anniversary of the Military Order of the Purple Heart. Chairman Gruber encouraged everyone to bow their heads on August 7th and thank the veterans for what they have done during their lifespan. No one would be sitting in this room today, if it were not for the veterans giving everyone their freedom. Chairman Gruber said no one should ever forget that.

Commissioner Ball thanked the veterans for their service and said the Commissioners are proud to support the military, the flag and Military Order of the Purple Heart's organization.

Commissioner Davis said he thanks the veterans for not only what they stand for, but for what Mr. New shared with the Commissioners. It was information presented today that either he had never known or could not recall. It is important for everyone to recall the things that matter about the history and about the future.

Commissioner Underwood thanked the veterans and said it was in January when her office was contacted to inform her there was not a parking sign outside of Central Annex in Robertsedale for the designation of a Purple Heart recipient. Every time she goes to Central Annex, she sees the sign. Commissioner Underwood said every time she sees a car in the parking spot, she wonders who it is. Commissioner Underwood thanked the veterans for all they do and said she has enjoyed seeing them over the last year and a half.

Chairman Gruber thanked the veterans and their organization.

Commander Bill Bergman, of the Military Order of the Purple Heart, appeared before the Commission and thanked the Commissioners for the opportunity to come and speak today. Commander Bergman said it is a pleasure for the veterans to be here.

**CA2** Update on Southwest Alabama Workforce Development Council (SAWDC) Activities

[19-1740](#)

Dr. Josh Duplantis, Executive Director, Southwest Alabama Workforce Development Council (SAWDC), appeared before the Commission and said he provided an overall report from SAWDC to the Commissioners a couple of weeks ago. The Commissioners have supported SAWDC for a long time and he wanted to make sure they understood what SAWDC is doing to advance the workforce agenda, not only in Mobile and Baldwin Counties, but also in the nine-county region it represents. Dr. Duplantis presented a slideshow on the Southwest Alabama Workforce Development Council Regional Workforce Development Updates.

Commissioner Ball thanked Dr. Duplantis for his work and said it is great information. It is exciting to see what the future holds for Baldwin County and all of the other counties SAWDC represents. Commissioner Ball thanked Dr. Duplantis for putting the presentation together.

Commissioner Davis said he wants to make the citizens aware and educate the children and parents. He applauds the Chamber of Commerce Gateway Initiative and the hospitality industry. They did something he was really impressed with. The Gateway Initiative celebrated the success of the certification of 176 children who are working now and will be working in the hospitality industry as their first jobs. Commissioner Davis said most people may not still be in the same industry as their first job, but they learned a lot about work and about themselves. He applauds the Chambers for their collaboration. It takes a team to do this. Commissioner Davis thanked Dr. Duplantis for his leadership and said if everyone works together, the children will have a great opportunity. A great opportunity for the children is what it is all about.

Commissioner Underwood said she recently graduated from Leadership Baldwin and her project was on workforce development awareness. She found out that SAWDC is doing an awesome job with the children who are in school. Commissioner Underwood said she found out that people who have not looked for jobs in a while and wanted to enhance their skills were not aware of what was available. Dr. Duplantis' discussion on what skills were of value was interesting because her generation were looked down on if they went to a trade school. They were told they needed to do better than their parents and get a bachelor's degree.

SAWDC has been able to break that stigmatism that a degree is not always necessary to have a great career, life and income. Commissioner Underwood said some of the children who went off to get a higher education are not using it when they returned home. She wants to make sure the children have skills of value and not spending money on a degree that is not benefiting them. There is so much out there that people are unaware of. Commissioner Underwood said SAWDC is making sure everyone continues to know about this.

Dr. Duplantis said he has five teacher institutes this week and it never fails for some of the teachers to follow him out of the classroom after he speaks to them to ask questions.

Chairman Gruber thanked Dr. Duplantis for attending today's meeting and giving his presentation. Chairman Gruber said there are a lot of students who graduate every year, some go to college and some do not. They need to have a direction once they leave high school. There are so many trades in Baldwin County alone that are being lost. The market is high for those trades. Chairman Gruber said it is hard work, but a person could name their price if they went into that field because the demand is so high. Chairman Gruber said a lot of the children will fit into these trades. A lot of the trade school classes should be brought back into the high schools.

**CA3** Presentation by the Alabama Free Clinic

[19-1502](#)

Ms. Laurie Kittrell, Executive Director, for the Alabama Free Clinic, appeared before the Commission and said people have talked about workforce, the service industry, unemployment rates, but what about insurance. What about people who are chronically ill and cannot afford insurance who do not qualify for Medicaid or Medicare? The Alabama Free Clinic wants to keep those people on the job and working and not in the hospitals. Ms. Kittrell said those people can now come to the Alabama Free Clinic. There are offices in the Health Department in Bay Minette and Robertsedale. There is also a private physician's office in Gulf Shores to visit. The Alabama Free Clinic has partnerships with all three hospitals in Baldwin County. The partnerships allow patients to be seen by the Alabama Free Clinic and out of the hospitals and emergency rooms. There are volunteer doctors, nurses and clerks who help take care of patients at no charge to them. Ms. Kittrell said 87 percent of the patients seen are working people who do not qualify for Medicaid or Medicare. There are approximately 30,000 Baldwin County residents who are uninsured and just over 600 patients in the clinics. Ms. Kittrell said the Alabama Free Clinic has to get the awareness out there. There are so many people who want to work, but cannot because of a chronic illness and the fact they cannot afford the medicine. The Alabama Free Clinic offers all of this for free. It is completely dependent on donations, individuals and grants. It does not receive any Federal funding and it does not charge the patients.

Chairman Gruber said it is a great program provided in Baldwin County. He

appreciates the Alabama Free Clinic stepping up to provide this service. There are a lot of people who are still uninsured. These clinics fill that void and he appreciates it.

Commissioner Underwood said she met Ms. Kittrell a few months ago and did not know what the Alabama Free Clinic was about. There is a reason why people are uninsured, the cost for health insurance is more than some of them make in an annual wage base. Commissioner Underwood said in her profession as a CPA, she sees self-employed people who do everything they can to make it and their health insurance premiums can skyrocket anywhere between \$1,500.00 and \$2,000.00 per month and that comes along with a \$5,000.00 to \$7,000.00 deductible. When the Affordable Care Act came out, it sounded like a good thing, but there was still a high deductible that was an obstacle for someone who made minimum wage to surmount. Commissioner Underwood said people do not realize hypertension and diabetes are included as chronic diseases that can happen from birth. When she found out about the Alabama Free Clinic and its compassion for people and when she saw a video showing people who have benefited from this, it made her feel more people needed to know what is out there and available. Commissioner Underwood said anyone who has a chronic disease or illness can check with the Alabama Free Clinic to see if the clinic can help. There are a lot of people who hang on to jobs they barely like because of health insurance. Commissioner Underwood thanked Ms. Kittrell.

Ms. Kittrell said when the Affordable Care Act came out, she became certified to be a navigator. She thought she could get all of the clinic's patients on insurance. A lot of them got on it, but they came back because they could not afford the medicine or go to a specialist.

Commissioner Ball asked Ms. Kittrell to tell the public the best way to get in touch with the Alabama Free Clinic.

Ms. Kittrell provided the Alabama Free Clinic's website address and phone number.

Commissioner Davis said he commends Ms. Kittrell for a lot of things and he concurs with everything that has been said so far. He has had people come to him to fuss about things that he has no influence over like Doctors without Borders where people think the County is taking care of people in other parts of the world. That is not charity, that is compassion. Commissioner Davis said he also wants everyone to realize, as citizens, that people like Ms. Kittrell and her organization are sharing compassion in the County's backyard. That is vital for everyone to understand and remember that compassion is the new charity. Commissioner Davis said charity is not bad and compassion is even better. He thanked Ms. Kittrell and the Alabama Free Clinic for what they do and likewise, he hopes the public will also look around because everyone knows someone who can benefit



from this. Commissioner Davis said it is about communication and everyone working together.

Chairman Gruber thanked Ms. Kittrell for coming today to make her presentation. He hopes people will see this and visit the Alabama Free Clinic. It is something that was started several years ago, and it does work.

**CA4** Presentation by Loxley Bicentennial Steering Committee

[19-1682](#)

Ms. Joan Richardson, Chairman of the Bicentennial Steering Committee, appeared before the Commission and said she appreciates the opportunity to share with the Commission all of the exciting things the Loxley Bicentennial Steering Committee has done over the last three years. Ms. Richardson presented a slideshow update on the Alabama 200 Bicentennial projects by the Loxley Committee.

Commissioner Underwood thanked Ms. Richardson for having the school children to be a part of the Bicentennial events. Commissioner Underwood commented on how she participated in the United States Bicentennial at nine years old and said it is great the children get to be a part of this. It may not all soak in now, but later on, they may embrace the County and the State. Commissioner Underwood said the Baldwin County Bicentennial Steering Committee members have worked hard and she thanks them.

Ms. Richardson said the program with the children was one of her favorites, the children were great. On the way back on the buses, the children were talking about the different things they learned. Ms. Richardson said being Chairman of the committee has been a gift. She has met people she would have never known. The Town of Loxley feels it can do anything and she is thrilled to do this. Ms. Richardson said she appreciates the Commissioners listening to her.

Chairman Gruber thanked everyone who has worked on the 200th Bicentennial. Baldwin County is one of the richest counties with history in the State of Alabama. The sad part is a lot of people still do not know what took place way back when. So much has happened and people do not realize what is here. Chairman Gruber said there is so much history here. He thanks the Bicentennial Steering Committee for this information.

**CA5** Presentation - Baldwin County Commission Mobile APP and Streaming Channel

[19-1774](#)

Brian Peacock, Communications and Information Systems (CIS) Director, appeared before the Commission and thanked the Commissioners for allowing the CIS Department to develop this app within the department. The County's website has a tremendous amount of information on it and the department's goal was to provide an application via a mobile device to quickly find information pertaining to



the County. Mr. Peacock gave an online demonstration of the app and said this is version one and it will continue to grow.

Commissioner Ball thanked Mr. Peacock and his staff for working on this project. This is something the Commissioners have looked at for a long time and now it is coming to life. This will be remarkable to have since everything is at a person's fingertips now. Commissioner Ball said later on, the Commission can integrate the banner for emergencies to constantly remind people with updates.

Commissioner Davis thanked Mr. Peacock for this effort. Instead of standing in line to do things, a person can sit at their kitchen table or desk to accomplish a lot of things that take a lot of time and create frustration and anxiety over how and when things get done. Commissioner Davis said the key is to communicate. It is all about relationship building and everyone is in the business of making this better. Commissioner Davis commended Mr. Peacock and his staff for what they do. It is about how to get to what is next and that is what he likes to focus on.

Commissioner Underwood thanked Mr. Peacock and said when she contacted Mr. Peacock several months ago to discuss how people could get notified about meetings, he said he would work on something. This is awesome and she commends Mr. Peacock and his staff for taking the initiative to get this done. Commissioner Underwood said this is even more than she envisioned. She can see bigger and better things. The Commissioners want as much open and honest government as they can have out there. This is a way to keep the Commission's website safe. There is some awesome information at everyone's fingertips and it can only get better.

Chairman Gruber thanked Mr. Peacock and said the CIS Department has made a lot of major overhauls over the years. They continue to strive for the future. He appreciates staff digging down to get this; this is what the future is all about. Chairman Gruber thanked CIS staff and said he hopes to learn how to use it.

Mr. Peacock said the Commissioners have mentioned this and he can only echo it, he thanks the CIS staff. They work as a team, they do not draw lines in the sand and they are there for each other. This has been a learning effort for them. This is the first time they have done anything with a mobile app development. Mr. Peacock said staff has soared with it and have made it work. He could not be more appreciative of the CIS Department.

Chairman Gruber said it is not only the updates to social media, but staff is also involved with the radio system the Commission took on to manage for first responders to have a better system. The CIS Department is still working to improve this and he appreciates it.

Commissioner Ball asked if staff could work with Joey Nunnally, County Engineer,

and the Highway Department to integrate road closures into the app?

Mr. Peacock said staff was hoping to utilize the general notifications for the app, but they can look at giving the Highway Department a separate section in the application for citizens to check on road closures.

## **D PUBLIC HEARINGS**

### **DM HIGHWAY**

#### **DM1 Baldwin County Subdivision Regulations Amendments**

**19-1761**

Seth Peterson, Construction Development Manager, appeared before the Commission and said the main amendment to the Baldwin County Subdivision Regulations is to change the review authority from the Highway Department to the Planning and Zoning Department. He will answer any questions the Commissioners have on this.

Chairman Gruber opened the public hearing at 9:46 a.m. and asked if there is anyone present who wishes to speak.

There being no requests to speak, Chairman Gruber closed the public hearing at 9:47 a.m.

Motion by Commissioner James E. Ball, seconded by Commissioner Joe Davis, III, to consider amendments to the Baldwin County Subdivision Regulations during a public hearing to provide for the public health, safety and general welfare, and consistent with Section 11-24-1, et seq., Code of Alabama (1975) and Section 45-2-261, et seq., Code of Alabama (1975), without limitation and furthermore, in compliance with Article 12 of the current Baldwin County Subdivision Regulations, adopt Resolution #2019-127 which:

- 1) Amends the Baldwin County Subdivision Regulations to read in their entirety as set forth in Exhibit "B" attached thereto; and
- 2) Provides that said amended Baldwin County Subdivision Regulations, as set forth in Exhibit "B" attached thereto, shall become effective on September 6, 2019; and
- 3) Provides that the Chairman of the Baldwin County Commission is hereby authorized to certify on behalf of the Baldwin County Commission to the Judge of Probate of Baldwin County, Alabama, said amended Baldwin County Subdivision Regulations.

The motion passed by the following vote:

<b>Aye:</b>	4 -	James E. Ball, Joe Davis III, BillieJo Underwood, and Charles F. Gruber
<b>Nay:</b>	0	
<b>Absent:</b>	0	
<b>Abstain:</b>	0	

## **E COMMITTEE REPORTS**

### **EA FINANCE/ADMINISTRATION DIVISION**

#### **EA1 Payment of Bills**

[19-1754](#)

Motion by Commissioner BillieJo Underwood, seconded by Commissioner James E. Ball, to pay bills totaling \$13,749,714.11 (thirteen million, seven hundred forty-nine thousand, seven hundred fourteen dollars and eleven cents) with the exception Vendors 40 and 103, which are listed in the Baldwin County Accounts Payable Payments - August 6, 2019, for a revised total of \$13,748,832.57.

Of this amount, \$10,558,894.97 (ten million, five hundred fifty-eight thousand, eight hundred ninety-four dollars and ninety-seven cents) is payable to the Baldwin County Board of Education for its portion of the County Sales and Use Tax.

The motion passed by the following vote:

**Aye:** 4 - James E. Ball, Joe Davis III, BillieJo Underwood, and Charles F. Gruber  
**Nay:** 0  
**Absent:** 0  
**Abstain:** 0

Motion by Commissioner BillieJo Underwood, seconded by Commissioner Joe Davis, III, to pay Vendor #40 in the amount of \$249.11.

Vendor #40: Ball, James E. - \$249.11

The motion passed by the following vote:

**Aye:** 3 - Joe Davis III, BillieJo Underwood, and Charles F. Gruber  
**Nay:** 0  
**Absent:** 0  
**Abstain:** 1 - James E. Ball

Motion by Commissioner BillieJo Underwood, seconded by Commissioner James E. Ball, to pay Vendor #103 in the amount of \$632.43.

Vendor #103: Davis, Joseph Lee III - \$632.43

The motion passed by the following vote:

**Aye:** 3 - James E. Ball, BillieJo Underwood, and Charles F. Gruber

**Nay:** 0  
**Absent:** 0  
**Abstain:** 1 - Joe Davis III

**EA2** Notification of Interim Payments Approved by Clerk/Treasurer as Allowed Under Policy 8.1 [19-1755](#)

Wayne Dyess, County Administrator, informed the Commission that the Baldwin County Commission Interim Payments - August 6, 2019, made by the Clerk/Treasurer totaling \$3,389,442.56 (three million, three hundred eight-nine thousand, four hundred forty-two dollars and fifty-six cents) are a part of the record.

**EB ROAD AND BRIDGE DIVISION**

**F ELECTED OFFICIAL REQUESTS**

**G OTHER STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS**

**GA ADMINISTRATION**

**GA1** Request for Proposals for Master Plan/Comprehensive Plan for Baldwin County [19-1770](#)

Wayne Dyess, County Administrator, said this recommendation follows-up the work session agenda item where staff discussed revising and reviewing the County's current Master Plan. This action will allow staff to release the Request for Proposals (RFP) to get proposals back on how to do this.

Motion by Commissioner James E. Ball, seconded by Commissioner BillieJo Underwood, to authorize the Purchasing Director to release a Request for Proposals (RFP) for a Master Plan/Comprehensive Plan for Baldwin County, Alabama.

The motion passed by the following vote:

**Aye:** 4 - James E. Ball, Joe Davis III, BillieJo Underwood, and Charles F. Gruber  
**Nay:** 0  
**Absent:** 0  
**Abstain:** 0

After the motion, before the vote, Commissioner Davis said for the record, the County will coordinate its efforts with other Federal and State agencies, regional planning commissions and the like, to make sure everyone is in accord in moving this forward.

Mr. Dyess said in Alabama, cities and towns have extraterritorial planning jurisdictions. Staff will be sure to work with them because the cities and towns also exercise control outside of the corporate limits. Mr. Dyess said one of his goals is to work with the cities and towns collaboratively to make sure the County's plans are in

accordance with their plans. As Commissioner Davis mentioned, there are several other entities to work with regarding roadway plans. He feels a large part of this process is to work collaboratively with those groups to ensure the County has a really good plan that meets its needs and is fair and predictable and all of the things the Commission has discussed before as to what a plan should do. Mr. Dyess said staff will seek to gain every bit of insight and input they can from outside entities outside of the County's jurisdiction.

Commissioner Davis said he was not suggesting staff would not do that, but he wanted to make sure the public knew they were doing this.

## **GF BUILDING MAINTENANCE**

### **GF1** Alabama Department of Economic and Community Affairs (ADECA) - Energy Efficient Retrofits Grant Application

[19-1762](#)

Motion by Commissioner Joe Davis, III, seconded by Commissioner James E. Ball, to take the following actions:

- 1) Authorize staff to submit the Alabama Department of Economic and Community Affairs' (ADECA) Energy Efficient Retrofits Grant Application to ADECA requesting funds in the amount of \$25,000.00, said funding will assist in changing out the light fixtures at Central Annex II, located at 22070 State Highway 59 S, Robertsedale, Alabama 36567 (total cost of the project is estimated at \$75,000.00); and
- 2) Authorize the Chairman to execute any grant related documents as required.

The motion passed by the following vote:

**Aye:** 4 - James E. Ball, Joe Davis III, BillieJo Underwood, and Charles F. Gruber  
**Nay:** 0  
**Absent:** 0  
**Abstain:** 0

## **GK ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT**

### **GK1** Baldwin County Solid Waste Policies

[19-1737](#)

Motion by Commissioner James E. Ball, seconded by Commissioner Joe Davis, III, to take the following actions regarding Baldwin County Commission (Environmental Management Department) Policies:

- 1) Adopt Revised Policy 7.2 - Collection of Garbage in Unincorporated Areas within Baldwin County which have 4 (Four) or More Residential Units; and
- 2) Adopt Resolution #2019-122, which approves the revision of Policy 7.4 - Solid Waste Landfill Tipping Fees and Commercial Account Late Fees; and

- 3) Adopt Revised Policy 7.6 - Solid Waste Residential Garbage Service Rates and Late Fees; and
- 4) Resume Policy 7.8 - Litter Patrol Service Request Procedures; and
- 5) Abolish Policy 7.9 - Solid Waste Residential Garbage Customer Payment Plan Agreement; and
- 6) Adopt Policy 7.10 - Solid Waste Residential Cart Policy.

The motion passed by the following vote:

**Aye:** 4 - James E. Ball, Joe Davis III, BillieJo Underwood, and Charles F. Gruber  
**Nay:** 0  
**Absent:** 0  
**Abstain:** 0

#### **GP PLANNING AND ZONING**

**GP1** Baldwin County Commission District No. 3 Board of Adjustment (Central Baldwin County Area) - Board Appointments

[19-1767](#)

Motion by Commissioner BillieJo Underwood, seconded by Commissioner James E. Ball, and as related to the Baldwin County Commission District No. 3 Board of Adjustment (Central Baldwin County Area), to take the following actions:

- 1) Appoint Ms. Rosellen E. Coggin, as a regular member (Planning District 12 designee), to fill the place seat formerly held by Mr. Adam Pasqual Bertolla, for a pro-rata reduced three (3) year term, said term commencing on August 6, 2019, and expiring on January 2, 2021; and
- 2) Appoint Mr. John M. Cooper, as a regular member (Planning District 31 designee), to fill the place seat formerly held by Mr. James Hanson Hardy, for a pro-rata reduced three (3) year term, said term commencing on August 6, 2019, and expiring on January 2, 2021; and
- 3) Appoint Ms. Carolyn C. King, as a regular member (Planning District 12 designee), to fill the place seat formerly held by Ms. Judy Powell, for a pro-rata reduced three (3) year term, said term commencing on August 6, 2019, and expiring on January 2, 2022. Approval of this appointment will change the designation of this place seat from Planning District 31 to Planning District 12.

The motion passed by the following vote:

**Aye:** 4 - James E. Ball, Joe Davis III, BillieJo Underwood, and Charles F. Gruber  
**Nay:** 0  
**Absent:** 0  
**Abstain:** 0

## **H COMMISSIONER REQUESTS**

## **I ADDENDA**

### **IA1 Resolution 2019-135 Related to the Proposed I-10 Mobile River Bridge and Bayway Project**

**19-1775**

Motion by Commissioner James E. Ball, seconded by Commissioner Joe Davis, III, to take the following actions:

- 1) Adopt Resolution #2019-135, which encourages Alabama Department of Transportation (ALDOT) to carefully review the design requirements for the proposed I-10 Mobile River Bridge and Bayway Project to ensure that the design is appropriate, reasonable and affordable and requests that ALDOT review, investigate and otherwise secure additional federal, state and grant funding opportunities to alleviate, or greatly reduce, the tolls necessary for this Project; and
- 2) Authorize the County Administrator forward the resolution to the Alabama Department of Transportation, Baldwin County Legislative Delegation, and any other government officials or agencies as deemed necessary.

The motion passed by the following vote:

**Aye:** 4 - James E. Ball, Joe Davis III, BillieJo Underwood, and Charles F. Gruber  
**Nay:** 0  
**Absent:** 0  
**Abstain:** 0

After the motion, before the vote, Chairman Gruber said there are some people present who wish to speak on this issue.

Commissioner Davis asked if the Commissioners can have some discussions, officially?

Chairman Gruber said anyone present who wishes to speak to please be brief. The Commissioners do not want to hear a long lecture, but they do want to hear what the speakers have to say. This is not a public hearing, but the Commissioners want to give people an opportunity to speak.

Commissioner Ball said there is a motion and second on the floor.

Chairman Gruber said he asked for any discussion, but the Commission can go ahead and vote.

Commissioner Davis asked if the Commissioners can do like they normally do and have discussion after the vote? He serves as the point person of the four Commissioners dealing with economic development. The County is growing 17 people per day; that is 6,200 people per year. In five years that will be 31,000 people. Commissioner Davis said his concern is whatever the Commission does and however it is paid for, the County still has to function within those five years while construction goes on. As the transportation on Highway 31 in Spanish Fort has been improving, it has created considerable backlog and difficulties. Commissioner Davis said he would like for the Commission to look at maybe doing this in segments and ultimately getting where the County needs to go because there will be more people coming in the next five years than residents of the City of Daphne. Residents need to recognize the County is not creating a bridge in a vacuum, but is dealing with a crowded situation now. The residents must recognize that as the County moves forward, there will be more people willing to come to and through the County.

After the vote, Dr. Lou Campomenosi with the Common Sense Campaign, appeared before the Commission and thanked the Commissioners allowing him to speak and for adopting the resolution. He thinks the question about the toll can be resolved. Dr. Campomenosi thanked Senator Greg Albritton and Senator Chris Elliott for their leadership in trying to find solutions and for Senator Albritton finding a funding solution. Dr. Campomenosi handed out information to the Commissioners on his group's efforts on "Stop the Toll - For The Mobile Bay I-10 Bridge" and commented on the group's plans hold public hearings to gather information and meet with the Governor of Alabama. Dr. Campomenosi said in working with the Commissioners and Mobile County and others who do the type of public work the Commissioners do, there is a good chance to change this. They have to stay together and work hard to let everyone know they will not put up with ALDOT's "my way or the highway" approach to how they will do the project.

At this time, Commissioner Ball left the meeting and the Chambers.

Ms. Celia Waters with the Common Sense Campaign, appeared before the Commission and said she is a resident of Fairhope. Ms. Waters commented on the wording of the resolution and what she would like to see taken out of it. Ms. Waters commented on the cost of having more than one pass for the toll bridge and the methods of collecting tolls. Ms. Waters commented on what will happen to the County's economy and on the increase of traffic on secondary roads if the toll bridge is approved.

Commissioner Underwood said there are so many questions on this. The last four days of her life have been consumed by this topic. This is just the beginning of



discussions and this now has the Commissioners' attention.

Ms. Waters said there are over 46,000 people who are against the toll.

Commissioner Underwood said in the last four days, she has hardly been able to concentrate on anything else. Discussions have started and the Commissioners are now able to find out more information.

Ms. Waters said whatever happens will affect everyone in the community just the same.

Commissioner Underwood said it is the entire United States.

Ms. Waters commented on an organization that has been fighting the national tolling lobby in the United States.

Commissioner Underwood asked Ms. Waters to forward that information to the Commissioners.

At this time, Commissioner Ball returned to the Chambers and the meeting.

Mr. Jonathan Armstrong, former County Commissioner, appeared before the Commission and said he is not here to lecture or to be disparaging. Mr. Armstrong commented on how weak the resolution is and how the toll will affect everyone. Mr. Armstrong commented on the County's past history with the State. Mr. Armstrong said the Commissioners were elected to represent Baldwin County and asked the Commissioners to change the verbiage to the resolution passed today. Mr. Armstrong said the Commissioners are doing an excellent job.

Dr. Campomenosi said he supports both of the last two speakers and feels the County should go down the no toll road.

Commissioner Davis said he appreciates Mr. Armstrong's candor and straightforwardness on this. He asked that people not take the wording of the resolution to mean that any of the Commissioners are for a toll. The Commissioners want to hear the facts about what led them to this as "the only way to do it." When the Commissioners have to vote whether or not to support a toll, they will vote their convictions. Commissioner Davis said he cannot comfortably vote for a toll when he does not know how it got here and what the other options are. It is very significant as to what the Commission is trying to do. It is not trying to soft peddle it, but at the same time, the Commissioners are trying to make sure the State understands they are representing the citizens of Baldwin County and they need more information. For someone in an appointed slot to say that is the only way to do something, it makes him want to find out if it is true and to find out what the other options are.

Commissioner Ball thanked everyone for their comments and suggestions and said the Commissioners hear them loud and clear.

Commissioner Underwood said she does not want any tolls. The only way to get attention is to do it in a way to get questions answered. There is a dialogue now where there was not before and she has posed some questions and she hopes to get those answers. This is the beginning of an opportunity to get more questions answered. Commissioner Underwood said there is so much the Commissioners have had to learn and this has crept up on them. She encouraged the public to bear with the Commissioners. They know what needs to get done for Baldwin County. With the public's prayers, the Commissioners will make it there.

Ms. Waters asked if the Commissioners have been in discussion with ALDOT or the Governor?

Commissioner Underwood said there are some people who are allowing them to ask questions.

Ms. Waters asked if the public was allowed to know who, to which Commissioner Underwood replied that was not important. Ms. Waters asked if the Commissioners are going to pass another resolution?

Commissioner Underwood said the Commission does not have another resolution to pass, but they could pass another one at every meeting if they want to change or update it. The resolution passed today is the first step, it is the beginning.

Ms. Waters said she is one of the Commissioners' biggest fan and loves reading what they are doing.

Chairman Gruber thanked everyone for their input and said this is the Commission's first "stab" at this. As Mr. Armstrong knows, it is tough sitting up here. There are a lot of things the Commissioners have tried to do and have to explore every avenue out there. A lot of thought has to go into this process. The Federal government's regulations state it has to be built within a 100-year floodplain. He feels the Federal government should pay for this, but it is not going to do it.

**J ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT**

**K COUNTY ATTORNEY'S REPORT**

David Conner, County Attorney, said he has one executive session item. There is no action required to be taken. If Chairman Gruber would like to conclude the meeting and adjourn into the executive session, that will be fine.

**L ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**M PUBLIC COMMENTS**

**N PRESS QUESTIONS**

**O COMMISSIONER COMMENTS**

**P ADJOURNMENT**

David Conner, County Attorney, recommended the Commission enter into an executive session to discuss the general reputation and character, physical condition, professional competence, or mental health of individuals, or, subject to the limitations set out herein, to discuss the job performance of certain public employees, to discuss with their attorney the legal ramifications of and legal options for pending litigation, controversies not yet being litigated but imminently likely to be litigated or imminently likely to be litigated if the governmental body pursues a proposed course of action and to discuss the consideration the governmental body is willing to offer or accept when considering the purchase, sale, exchange, lease, or market value of real property. Mr. Conner said it is anticipated the executive session will last approximately 20 minutes. He makes the oral declaration the discussion is appropriate for an executive session and if the Commissioners desire, they can adjourn the meeting from the executive session.

Motion by Commissioner James E. Ball, seconded by Commissioner Joe Davis, III, to adjourn into an executive session at 10:34 a.m. for approximately 20 minutes to discuss the general reputation and character, physical condition, professional competence, or mental health of individuals, or, subject to the limitations set out herein, to discuss the job performance of certain public employees, to discuss with their attorney the legal ramifications of and legal options for pending litigation, controversies not yet being litigated but imminently likely to be litigated or imminently likely to be litigated if the governmental body pursues a proposed course of action and to discuss the consideration the governmental body is willing to offer or accept when considering the purchase, sale, exchange, lease, or market value of real property.

The motion passed by the following vote:

**Aye:** 4 - James E. Ball, Joe Davis III, BillieJo Underwood, and Charles F. Gruber

**Nay:** 0

**Absent:** 0

**Abstain:** 0

Chairman Gruber said the August 6, 2019, Baldwin County Commission meeting will adjourn into an executive session at 10:34 a.m.

Three handwritten signatures in black ink, likely of the commissioners mentioned in the vote tally.